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And it is thereby further Enacted, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for Us by Commiſſion under Our Great Seal of *England*, to Authorize and Appoint any Number of Perſons to take and receive ſuch voluntary Subſcriptions as ſhall be made on or before the Firſt Day of *Auguſt*, One thouſand ſix hundred ninety ſix, by any Perſon or Perſons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Politick or Corporate (other than the Governor and Company of the *Bank* of *England*) for and towards the Raiſing and Paying into the Receipt of *Exchequer* the Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds: And that the yearly Sum of One hundred ſeventy nine thouſand four hundred and eighty Pounds ariſing by and out of the ſaid Duties and Impoſitions before mentioned, ſhall be applied, iſſued and directed, and is thereby appropriated to the Uſe and Advantage of ſuch Perſon or Perſons, Bodies Politick and Corporate, as ſhall make ſuch voluntary Subſcriptions and Payments their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors and Aſſignes for ever, proportionable to the Subſcription of each Perſon or Body Politick ſo ſubſcribing the ſame.

And it is thereby further Enacted, That the Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, and the Under-Treaſurer of Our *Exchequer* now being, and the Lord High Treaſurer and Under Treaſurer, or Commiſſioners of the Treaſury for the time being, are thereby ſtrictly enjoined and required by virtue of the ſaid Act, and without any further or other Warrant to be ſued for, had or obtained from Us, Our Heirs or Succeſſors, to direct their Warrants yearly for the payment of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred ſeventy nine thouſand four hundred and eighty Pounds to the Contributors of the ſaid Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds, in manner and proportion in and by the ſaid Act directed and appointed. And the Auditor of the Receipt of *Exchequer*, and all other Officers of the *Exchequer* for the time being, are thereby directed and enjoined to iſſue the ſaid Moneys ſo ſet apart for the Uſes thereby directed

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from time to time without any Fee or Reward, under such Penalties as are by the said Act to be inflicted. And it was thereby declared, That it should be lawful for Us to Incorporate all and every the Subscribers and Contributors, their Executors, Successors and Assigns to be one Body Corporate and Politick, by the Name of the Governor and Company of the *National Land-Bank*, to have perpetual Succession, and to have such Capacities, Priviledges and Powers, and to be under such Rules as are therein mentioned. And in case the whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds shall not be advanced and paid into the said Receipt of *Exchequer* before the first Day of *January*, which shall be in the year of our Lord One thousand six hundred ninety six, that then the Subscribers and Contributors for and towards raising the said Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, their Executors, Successors and Assigns, shall only have and receive so much and such part and proportion of the said yearly Fund as shall be after the Rate of Seven Pounds *per Cent. per annum*, for such Sum and Sums of Money as shall be so respectively paid and advanced: And that from and after the Granting the said Letters Patents of Incorporation, the said yearly Sum of One hundred seventy nine thousand four hundred and eighty Pounds, or so much thereof as shall be proportionable to the several Sums of Money before that time advanced, or to be then afterwards advanced, before the said First Day of *January* One thousand six hundred ninety six as aforesaid, shall be paid and payable unto the said Governor and Company and their Successors for ever **in Trust**, in the First Place, for paying and satisfying all Bills and other Charges which they shall from time to time charge thereupon under their Common Seal; and from and after Payment of such Bills and Charges then in Trust for the several and respective Members of the said Incorporation, according to the proportion of their several Stocks therein. And that the Interests and Stock of the particular Members of the said Incorporation shall go to Executors and Administrators, and not to Heirs, and shall be Transferrable and Devisable in such manner as We shall direct in and by the said Letters Patents, and not otherwise.

And in the said Act is contained a Proviso, That in case the Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, or a Moiety thereof should not be Subscribed ~~on~~ or before the First Day of *August*, One thousand six hundred ninety six, that then the Powers and Authorities in the said Act for Erecting a Corporation as aforesaid, shall cease and determine: And in such case so much of the said yearly Sum of One hundred seventy nine thousand four hundred and eighty Pounds as shall belong to the said Subscribers, according to the meaning of the said Act, shall be transferrable by the respective Subscribers their respective Executors, Successors or Assigns, to any Person or Persons whatsoever, by any Writing or Writings under the Hand and Seal of the Person or Persons transferring the same, attested by two or more credible Witnesses, and entred within Twenty Days after the Sealing thereof, in a Book or Books to be for that purpose kept in the said *Exchequer* by the Remembrancer for the time being; (for the Entry whereof nothing shall be paid;) which Entry the said Remembrancer is hereby required upon Request to make.

Words of Commission. And that every such Subscriber shall at the time of such Subscription, pay or cause to be paid unto the said Commissioners one Fourth Part of his or her Subscription, and in Default thereof such Subscriptions shall be void, and that the Residue of the said Subscription Moneys shall be paid into the Receipt of our *Exchequer*, as we shall direct, before the First Day of *January*, One thousand six hundred ninety six; and in Default of such Payments, that then the Fourth Part first paid as aforesaid, shall be forfeited to, and for the Benefit of Us, Our Heirs and Successors.

Now know ye, That we being resolved and determined, in case the said Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, or one Moiety thereof, shall be Subscribed on or before the First Day of *August*, One thousand six hundred ninety six, to Grant and pass our Royal Charter or Letters Patents under the Great Seal of *England*, for Erecting and Establishing a Corporation or Body Politick, to be called by the Name aforesaid, and to have a perpetual Succession with such Powers and Priviledges as are prescribed by the said Act, and such others as shall be Lawful and Reasonable for Us to give and grant

grant, as well for the publick Good as for Our own Service, subject nevertheless to the Proviso's, Restrictions and Rules in the said Act of Parliament contained, and reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Abilities, Faithfulness and Prudent Circumspections in and for the performance of so much of this Affair as shall be committed to your Care and Charge, have Nominated, Constituted Authorized, and Appointed, and by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors do Nominate, Constitute, Authorize, and do Appoint you the said *Thomas* Lord *Jermyn*, *Thomas* Lord *Coningsby*, Lord *James Russell*, *Goodwin Wharton*, *Henry Pagett*, *Robert Cecill*, *Sydney Wortley* alias *Mountagu*, *Charles Mountagu*, Sir *William Langham*, Sir *Walter Young*, Sir *Henry Ashurst*, Sir *Richard Atkins*, Sir *Richard Blackham*, Sir *Thomas Pope Blount*, Sir *Josiah Child*, Sir *Robert Cotton*, Sir *Heale Hooke*, Sir *Henry Hobart*, Sir *John Mordant*, Sir *Walter St. Johns*, Sir *Basil Dixwell*, Sir *Peter Paravacine*, Sir *Humphery Edwin*, Sir *Rowland Ainsworth*, Sir *Owen Buckingham*, Sir *John Banks*, Sir *Benjamin Bathurst*, Sir *Edward Clarke*, Sir *Thomas Cooke*, Sir *Samuel Dashwood*, Sir *Thomas Davall*, Sir *John Eyles*, Sir *William Forester*, Sir *John Fleet*, Sir *Edward Farmer*, Sir *Joseph Herne*, Sir *Christopher Hales*, Sir *Robert Jefferies*, Sir *Thomas Lane*, Sir *John Moore*, Sir *Tho. 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To Provide the Office in Ten Days.

And for the better purſuing of the End and Intent of the ſaid Act of Parliament, and of our Royal Purpoſe and Intention in theſe Preſents, we do for Us, Our Heirs and Succeſſors, order, direct and appoint that you or ſo many of you as aforeſaid, ſhall within Ten Days after the Date or making of theſe Preſents, provide, appoint, and keep one or more Convenient Houſe or Houſes within the Cities of *London* and *Weſtminſter*, or one of them, or within the Suburbs of the ſame, to be the Publick Office or Offices to which all or any Perſon or Perſons ſhall or may reſort for the making of the ſaid Subſcriptions, and to pay the Fourth Part of the Moneys which they reſpectively are to pay thereupon; and ſhall give ſuch publick Notice thereof as you ſhall think moſt conduceable to this Service.

Books in Ten Days.

And that you, or any Five or more of you, ſhall within Ten Days after the Date or making hereof, provide or cauſe to be provided one or more Book or Books of Vellum or Parchment for the ſaid Subſcriptions to be made therein.

Books to lie Open.

Which Book or Books ſhall lie open every Day (*Sundays* excepted) at the ſaid Publick Office or Offices, from the Hours of Eight to the Hours of Twelve in the Forenoons, and from the Hours of Three to the Hours of Eight in the Afternoons, until and upon the ſaid Firſt Day of *Auguſt* One thouſand ſix hundred ninety ſix, unleſs the Subſcriptions for the ſaid whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds ſhall be ſooner Compleated.

Title of the Book.

And that in the Title or Front of every or any ſuch Book or Books, there ſhall be fairly written proper Words, importing that the ſame doth or do contain the Subſcriptions authorized to be made in purſuance of the ſaid Act of Parliament, and of theſe Preſents, of the reſpective Sums which the ſeveral Perſon or Perſons, Natives or Foreigners, Bodies Politick or Corporate, whoſe Names ſhall be written therein, do or ſhall ſet or cauſe to be ſet againſt their Names reſpectively.

Fourth Part paid down.

One full Fourth Part of which ſaid Sum or Sums of Money, and every of them ſo to be Subſcribed is to be paid at the time of making each Subſcription by the reſpective Subſcribers, to the Hands of you our Commiſſioners, and the reſidue thereof in ſuch manner as is herein after directed.

And

Sums in Words at length and Figures.

And you are ſeverally to take care, that the Sums ſo Subſcribed be written as will in Words at length as in Figures, with a Colume for expreſſing the Day on which every ſuch Subſcription ſhall be made; and that the Subſcriptions ſo to be made from time to time, be atteſted under the Hands and Seals of two or more of you, our Commiſſioners who were preſent at the making of thoſe Subſcriptions.

Subſcriptions Attested under the Hands and Seals of two or more Commiſſioners.

And that no ſuch Subſcriptions ſhall be made or taken after the ſaid Firſt Day of *Auguſt* now next enſuing.

Duplicates Atteſted by Five Commiſſioners, to be delivered to the Auditor of the Exchequer.

And that you, or any Five or more of you, do without delay after the ſaid Firſt Day of *Auguſt* next enſuing, or after the ſaid Subſcriptions for the whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds ſhall be Compleated (which ſhall firſt happen) make or cauſe to be made true Duplicates, or Copies fairly written in Parchment, of the ſaid whole Book or Books of Subſcriptions, and deliver the ſaid Duplicate or Duplicates of the ſaid Book or Books, atteſted by Five or more of you as aforeſaid, into the ſaid Office of Auditor of the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, that ſo it may appear whether the whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds be Subſcribed within the ſaid limited Time, or not, or how much thereof, and by whom the ſame or any part thereof ſhall be ſo Subſcribed, and that thereby the Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, or Our Treaſurer, and Under Treaſurer, and other Officers of the *Exchequer* for the time being may know how the yearly Fund appropriated by the ſaid Act, or any proportion or part thereof, is to be Iſſued or Applied, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the ſame Act of Parliament: And we do hereby Authorize, Require and Command the ſaid Auditor of the Receipt of Our *Exchequer* to Enroll, and the Clerk of the Pells in the Receipt of *Exchequer* to Record the ſaid Duplicate or Duplicates in the Regiſters or Records of their reſpective Offices, for the Ends and Purpoſes aforeſaid.

Any five to receive the firſt fourth part.

And alſo, we do by theſe preſents, for us, our Heirs and Succeſſors, Direct, Authorize and Appoint, that you our ſaid Commiſſioners, or any five or more of you, ſhall and may receive and take from every ſuch Subſcriber or Subſcribers as aforeſaid, reſpectively, at the time of his, her, or their Subſcription, the full fourth part of every Sum ſo Subſcribed, which by the Tenor and true meaning of the ſaid Act, is then to be paid in Ready Money.

To Appoint a Caſhier.

And that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or any five or more of you, ſhall and may Appoint ſuch Perſon or Perſons as you ſhall think fit to Intruſt, and ſhall be alſo Approved by the Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury or any three of them now being, or by the Treaſurer of Our *Exchequer*, or any three or more of the Commiſſioners of our Treaſury for the time being, to be the Caſhier or Caſhiers for the Cuſtody or Keeping of all or any the Sum or Sums of Money ariſing by or for the firſt fourth part of the Moneys to be Subſcribed as aforeſaid, taking from ſuch Perſon or Perſons reſpectively, ſuch Security or Securities as to you ſhall ſeem good and ſufficient, and ſhall alſo be Approved by the Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, or the Treaſurer of Our *Exchequer* as aforeſaid, by Bond or Bonds in the Name of us, Our Heirs or Succeſſors, for the due Anſwering, Paying and Accounting for the Money which they ſhall reſpectively receive, according to ſuch Rules or Directions as are hereafter in theſe Preſents contained, for or concerning the Payment or Application of the ſame.

To keep the Money till payable into the Exchequer.

AND *We do by theſe Preſents*, for us, our Heirs and Succeſſors, Direct, Authorize and Command, that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or your Caſhier or Caſhiers who ſhall Receive or have in their Cuſtody all or any the Moneys ariſing by the ſaid Subſcriptions for the firſt fourth part as aforeſaid, or any Perſon or Perſons, Chargeable therewith; ſhall ſafely keep the ſame and every part thereof (as it ſhall be received) to Our uſe until the ſaid Moneys ſhall be payable into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, according to Our Directions herein after contained (that is to ſay,)

How the firſt fourth part ſhall be paid into the Exchequer.

OUR *Will and Pleaſure is*, and We do hereby Direct, Authorize and Command, that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers or others that ſhall have the Cuſtody of the money of the ſaid firſt fourth part, or any part thereof, or be chargeable therewith, ſhall and do, in caſe the whole Sum of Two Millions Five Hundred Sixty four Thouſand Pounds, or the Moyety, or any greater part thereof, ſhall be Subſcribed on or before the firſt Day of *Auguſt* now next enſuing as aforeſaid, as ſoon as our Charter of Incorporation ſhall be made and paſſed

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under Our Great Seal of *England*, pay or cauſe to be paid all the Moneys which ſhall then have been received of or for the ſaid firſt fourth part into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, in the Name of the Governour and Company of the *National Land Band*, and upon ſuch Payment or Payments to be made in the Name of ſuch Governour and Company of the *National Land-Bank* of the Moneys of the ſaid firſt fourth part, the Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, Treaſurer and under Treaſurer of Our *Exchequer*, and all other Officers to whom it doth or ſhall appertain in the Receipt of the *Exchequer* for the time being, are hereby Required and Authorized to Levy or Strike Talleys for the ſame, Importing ſo much Money Received from ſuch Governour and Company by the hands of you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, for or towards the Sum not exceeding Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds, to be raiſed upon the ſaid Act, and to Draw and Sign *Exchequer* Orders fairly written in Parchment for paying to the ſaid Governour and Company of the *National Land-Bank* and their Succeſſors for ever, (Subject nevertheleſs to the Condition of Redemption in the ſaid Act contained, a proportionable part of the ſaid yearly Sum of One hundred ſeventy nine thouſand four hundred and eighty Pounds *per Annum*, for every or any Sum of the ſaid firſt fourth part which ſhall be ſo paid into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, according to the Tenor and true meaning of the ſaid Act of Parliament.

AND *Our Will and Pleaſure is*, And We do hereby Direct, Authorize and Command, that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or the ſaid Caſhier or Caſhiers, or others, who ſhall have the Cuſtody of the ſaid Moneys ſo to be received for the firſt fourth part of the ſaid Subſcriptions, or any part thereof, ſhall and do (in caſe ſo much as a Moyety of the ſaid Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds ſhall not be Subſcribed on or before the ſaid firſt day of *Auguſt* next) pay or cauſe to be paid, all the Moneys which you ſhall have received for the ſaid firſt fourth part upon the ſaid Subſcriptions into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, in the Names of the reſpective Subſcribers or Contributors thereof, his, her, or their reſpective Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſignes; and upon every or any ſuch Payment or Payments to be made; (as is laſt mentioned) the ſaid Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, Treaſurer, and under Treaſurer of Our *Exchequer*, and all other Officers to whom it doth or ſhall appertain in the Receipt of Our *Exchequer* for the time being, are hereby Authorized and Required to Levy and Strike Talleys for the ſame, Importing ſo much Money Received from the reſpective Subſcribers and Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſignes, by the hands of you Our ſaid Commiſſioners upon the ſaid Act, and to Draw and Sign *Exchequer* Orders fairly written in Parchment, for paying to the ſaid reſpective Subſcribers and Contributors, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors and Aſſignes for ever, (ſubject nevertheleſs to the condition of Redemption in the ſaid Act contained) proportionable parts of the ſaid yearly Fund of One hundred ſeventy nine thouſand four hundred and eighty Pounds, according to the true meaning of the ſaid Act, for every or any Sum which ſhall be ſo paid into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, and theſe preſents of the Entry or Enrollment thereof, ſhall be to the ſaid Commiſſioners of the Treaſury, Treaſurer, under Treaſurer, and all other Officers and Perſons who are, or may be concerned, a ſufficient Warrant and Diſcharge in that behalf.

How the reſidue ſhall be paid.

And as to the remaining three fourth parts of all and every the Sum and Sums of Money which ſhall be Subſcribed and Contained in the ſaid Books of Subſcription as aforeſaid; Our Will and Pleaſure is, and We do hereby Declare, Limit and Appoint, that every entire Sum Subſcribed, or to be Subſcribed as aforeſaid, being divided into four equal parts (whereof the firſt fourth part is to be paid and brought into the Receipt of our *Exchequer*, by and according to Our Directions aforeſaid.)

Second Payment.

A Second fourth part thereof ſhall be paid and brought into the Receipt of *Exchequer*, on or before the firſt day of *October* now next enſuing.

Reſidue of the Payment.

And the remaining two fourth parts (which will compleat the whole Subſcriptions) ſhall be paid or brought into the Receipt of *Exchequer*, before the firſt day of *January*) now next enſuing.

How the Reſidue ſhall be paid in caſe of Incorporation.

And in caſe the whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds or the Moiety, or any greater part thereof, ſhall be Subſcribed on or before the firſt day of *Auguſt* next as aforeſaid, then all the Moneys which ſhall be Subſcribed as aforeſaid, (the firſt fourth part only excepted) ſhall and may be brought

brought and paid into the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, at ſuch times and by ſuch Ways, Methods or Means, as the Governour, (or in his abſence) the Deputy-Governour, together with Sixteen or more of the Truſtees, to be conſtituted by the ſaid Charter of Incorporation, ſhall from time to time Direct, Limit or Appoint.

So as a full Second Fourth part of all and every the Sum and Sums of Money to be Subſcribed as aforeſaid, be entirely paid and brought into the ſaid Receipt of *Exchequer*, on on or before the ſaid firſt day of *October* now next enſuing.

And ſo as that the remaining two fourth parts to compleat the whole Account of the ſaid Subſcriptions be paid, or brought into the ſaid Receipt of *Exchequer*, before the ſaid firſt day of *January* now next enſuing as aforeſaid.

How the Reſidue ſhall be paid in caſe there be no Incorporation.

And in caſe ſo much as a Moiety of the ſaid Five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds, or any greater Sum, ſhall not be Subſcribed on or before the firſt day of *Auguſt* now next enſuing, then all the Moneys which ſhall be Subſcribed as aforeſaid (the ſaid firſt fourth part only excepted) ſhall be paid and brought into the ſaid Receipt of *Exchequer* by the reſpective Subſcribers of the ſame, his, her, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors or Aſſignes, at or before the reſpective days or times, and in ſuch proportions as are herein before limited and appointed for the payment of the laſt three fourth parts, in caſe five and twenty hundred and ſixty four thouſand Pounds, or a Moiety, or any greater part thereof, ſhall be Subſcribed as aforeſaid, and according to the Tenor and true meaning of the ſaid Act.

Talleys ſtruck for the Payments.

And upon every or any ſuch Payment or Payments ſo to be made, of all or any the Moneys ariſing by or upon the ſaid Subſcriptions, (the Firſt Fourth Part only excepted, touching which Our Pleaſure is herein before declared,) Our Will and Pleaſure is, and We do hereby for Us, Our Heirs, and Succeſſors, Direct, Authorize and Command, That the ſaid Commiſſioners of Our Treaſury, Treaſurer, and Under-Treaſurer, and all other Officers in Our Exchequer for the Time being, to whom it doth or ſhall appertain, ſhall from Time to Time Levy and Strike Talleys for the Moneys which ſhall be ſo Paid by the Governor and Company of the *National Land-Bank*, importing the Receipt thereof from them; and Tallies for the Moneys which ſhall or may (in the Caſe before-mentioned) be ſo Paid by the reſpective Subſcribers or Contributers, his, her, or their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors, or Aſſigns, importing the Receipt thereof of and from them reſpectively; And ſhall from Time to Time, upon the ſaid Tallies, Draw and Sign ſuch *Exchequer*-Orders as are above-mentioned, for the Proportionable Parts of the ſaid Yearly Fund, which (in the reſpective Caſes aforeſaid) are to be Paid and Iſſued, either to the Governor and Company of the *National Land-Bank*, and their Succeſſors, for ever; or to the reſpective Subſcribers and Contributers, their Executors, Adminiſtrators, Succeſſors and Aſſigns, for ever, according to the Tenour and true Meaning of the ſaid Act of Parliament, and ſubject to the Conditions of Redemption therein contained.

Any Five Commiſſioners to give Receipts.

And We do alſo Direct and Appoint, that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Five, or more of you, who ſhall Receive any of the above-mentioned Payments of the ſaid Firſt Fourth Part, in purſuance of theſe Preſents, ſhall immediately give to the Perſon or Perſons paying the ſame, a Receipt in Writing for the ſeveral Sum and Sums of Money ſo received.

Entries of Payment.

And ſhall cauſe an Entry thereof to be made in a Book or Books for that purpoſe to be kept in your ſaid Office or Offices, wherein ſhall be Entred and Regiſtred the Day on which every ſuch Payment ſhall be made; the Names of you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, to whom each Sum ſhall have been paid; the Name, and Place of Abode, of the ſaid Perſon or Perſons making the Payment, with his, her or their proper Additions; and the Sum that ſhall be actually paid.

Tranſmit an Account of the Payments to the Auditor.

And that you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, or any Five, or more of you, do without Delay, after the ſaid Firſt Day of *Auguſt* next enſuing, make, or cauſe to be made, a true Account, fairly written in Parchment, of all the ſaid Receipts of the Money of the ſaid Firſt Fourth Part; expreſſing therein ſuch Particulars as are herein before directed to be Inſerted in the ſaid Receipts; and deliver the ſaid Account, Atteſted by any Five, or more of

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of you, as aforesaid, into the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt of *Exchequer*.

Accounts to be Inrolled and Recorded. And We do hereby Authorize, Require and Command the said Auditor of the Receipt to Inrol, and the said Clerk of the Pells to Record the said Account, in the Registers or Records of their respective Offices; as well for the Charging of you, Our Commissioners, who shall Receive the said Moneys, or your Cashiers, with the Money so Received, as for the better Guidance of the said Commissioners of the Treasury, Treasurer, Under-Treasurer, and other the Officers of the *Exchequer*, for the Time being, in the Issuing and Payment of the said appropriated Fund, or any Part or Proportion of the same, pursuant to the said Act of Parliament.

To give Attendance. And Our Will and Pleasure is, and We do hereby Require and Command, That you Our said Commissioners, and every of you respectively, do from Time to Time Assemble and Meet together, and give your Attendance at the Publick Office or Offices before-mentioned.

Subdivide. And if the First, or any other General Meeting of you Our Commissioners, which shall be had, or appointed to be had, for the putting of this Commission in Execution, you, or the Major Part of you then present, shall judge it most convenient to have or keep several publick Offices for the Purpose aforesaid; In that Case you are hereby Directed and Authorized to Sub-divide your selves for the said several Offices; taking Care that a sufficient Number of you Our Commissioners shall be, and do Attend in each Office; And that your selves, and the Cashier or Cashiers to be Employed under you, do from Time to Time, carefully and diligently Attend the Execution and Performance of this Our Service, in all Things, as becometh.

Commissioners of the Treasury to be Aiding. And the said Commissioners of Our Treasury now being, and the Treasurer and Under-Treasurer of the *Exchequer*, or Commissioners of Our Treasury for the Time being, are hereby required to be Aiding and Assisting to you in the Performance of this Our Service.

Commissioners of the Treasury to issue Moneys for the Charges. And are hereby also Impowered and Commanded, out of any Our Treasury, from Time to Time, being and remaining in the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, (not appropriated to particular Uses by Act of Parliament,) to Issue and Pay to such Person or Persons as you shall nominate, such Sum or Sums of Money as shall be necessary to be Expended or Laid out as Incident Charges in the Execution of this Our Commission.

Notice of the first Election. And to the End the said Corporation, or Body Politick (in Case the said Sum of Two Millions Five Hundred Sixty Four Thousand Pounds, or the Moyety, or any greater Part thereof shall be Subscribed on or before the said First Day of *August* next ensuing) may be Erected and Setled to the best Content and Satisfaction of the Subscribers or Contributers aforesaid, We do by these Presents give full Power and Authority to you Our said Commissioners: And We do hereby for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Require, Command, Consent, and Agree, That you Our said Commissioners, or any Five or more of you, shall and may immediately after the said First Day of *August* next, or so soon as the said Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds shall be Subscribed as aforesaid (which of them shall first happen) cause Publick Notice to be given by Writing under your Hands, to be openly set up and affixed upon the *Royal-Exchange* in *London*, and at your own Publick Office or Offices, to and for all and every the Person and Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, who before the making of the Elections herein after mentioned, shall severally or respectively have Subscribed in the said Book or Books as aforesaid, any Sum or Sums of Money not less than Five hundred Pounds, and shall have severally paid one Fourth Part of the Sum or Sums so by them Subscribed, and shall have taken the Oaths, or made the Declaration herein after mentioned, their Executors, Administrators, Successors or Assigns, to Assemble and Meet together at some convenient Place within the Cities of *London* or *Westminster*, and at a Day to be Prescribed or Appointed in the said Writing; (Which Day is not to be sooner than Four Days, or later than Eight Days after the said Notice shall be Set up or Affixed upon the Royal Exchange, and your said Office or Offices as aforesaid:) Then and there to Elect and Chuse Persons (qualified as is herein after mentioned) to be the First Governor, First Deputy-Governor, and First Trustees of the Corporation, or Body-Politick, to be Erected and Established in pursuance of the said Act.

Qualification of Electors.

Provided that none to Elect.

And

And that it shall and may be lawful, to and for all and every such Subscribers qualified as aforesaid; their Executors Administrators, Successors and Assignes, then and there to assemble and meet together; and too and for them, or the Major part of them so assembled, to Nominate, Elect and Choose (by way of Ballat) out of the whole number of Subscribers, (whereof none to have more then one Vote) one Person who shall have Subscribed in his own Right, the Sum of Four Thousand Pounds at least, and shall have paid one fourth at the least of the Sum so by him Subscribed, to be made the first Governour of the said Corporation, to be erected as aforesaid; and one other Person who shall have Subscribed in his own Right the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds at least, and shall have paid one fourth part at least, of the Sum so by him Subscribed, to be made the first Deputy-Governor of the said Corporation; and thirty other Persons, each of which shall severally have Subscribed in their own Rights, the Sum of Two Thousand Pounds at the least, and who shall severally and respectively have paid one fourth part, or more, of every such Sum so by them respectively Subscribed, to be the first Trustees of the said Corporation, or Body Politick; which Election shall severally be determined by the Majority of Votes of the Subscribers then present, by way of Ballat as aforesaid.

Chose by Ballat.

None above one Vote.

Stock of Governor.

Stock of Deputy Governor.

Thirty Trustees.

Stock of Trustees.

And in case they shall be Equal, then by you Our Commissioners, or the Major part of you then present.

In case of Equality.

And the Persons so to be Elected or Chosen, shall be inserted in Our Royal Charter of Incorporation, to be granted as aforesaid, and shall thereby be made and constituted the first Governour, Deputy-Governour, and Trustees of the Company, thereby to be Erected and Established, and to be and continue in those several Offices of Governor, Deputy-Governor, and Trustees, from the date or making of Our said Charter, until the Tenth Day of *April*, which shall be in the Year of Our Lord, One thousand six hundred ninety eight, and till others shall be duly chosen in their Rooms and sworn, Subject nevertheless to the Rules, Restrictions, Provisoes and Directions contained in the said Act of Parliament; and to such other Rules and Appointments as shall be inserted touching them in the said Charter. The Draught whereof is contained in a Schedule hereunto annexed.

Persons Elected to be inserted in the Charter.

First Trustees to continue till tenth of April, 1698.

Provided always, and Our Royal Will and Pleasure is, And we do hereby Appoint, that no Subscriber shall be capable to Vote, as aforesaid, in the Election of the said Persons, to be made the first Governor, Deputy-Governor, or Trustees, or any of them, until he shall have taken an Oath, in the form and to the effect following, (to wit) *I* A. B. *Do swear that the Sum of Five hundred Pounds by me Subscribed, or the Sum of Five hundred Pounds at least, of the Moneys by me Subscribed, is my own proper Money, for my own Use, and in my own Right, and not in Trust for any Person whatsoever.*

Oath of Electors.

Provided nevertheless, that any Person or Persons commonly called or known to be Quakers, who shall have Subscribed Five hundred Pounds, or more, as aforesaid, and shall have made and Signed the Declaration following (that is to say,) *I* A. B. *Do Sincerely and Solemnly Declare, in the Presence of God, that the Sum of Five hundred Pounds by me Subscribed, or the Sum of Five hundred Pounds at least, of the Moneys by me Subscribed, is my own Proper Money, for my own Use, and in my own Right, and not in Trust for any Person whatsoever,*) shall be capable of Voting, and the Elections or choice of the said Persons, to be made the First Governor, Deputy Governor, and Trustees, as aforesaid.

Proviso for Quakers.

Provided also, and Our Royal Will and Pleasure is, and we do hereby Appoint, that no Subscriber or Subscribers shall be capable to be Chosen as aforesaid, to be made the First Governor, Deputy-Governor, or Trustees, as aforesaid, unless he or they be Natural born Subjects of *England*, or Naturalized, and shall severally and respectively have taken an Oath, that the Sums, which in their respective cases are requisite to have been Subscribed by them as aforesaid, (that is to say) Four Thousand Pounds by the Person to be made Governor, Three Thousand Pounds by the Person to be made Deputy-Governor, and Two Thousand Pounds by every one of them that shall be the Trustees (are their own proper Moneys respectively, and Subscribed for their own Use, and in their own Right, and not in Trust for any other Person or Persons as aforesaid,) nor shall be capable of Executing his or their Office or Offices, until he or they shall respectively have taken the Oaths in the said Recited Act prescribed for that purpose, and the Oath herein before-directed.

Governor, Deputy-Governor, and Trustees, to be Natural Born or Naturalized; and to take Oaths.

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Two Commissioners to administer Oaths to First Governor, Deputy-Governor and Trustees

And We do hereby Direct, Require, Authorize and Impower you our said Commissioners, or any Two or more of you, to Administer the said several Oaths and Declaration to the said Persons who are to chuse or be the First Governor, Deputy-Governor, and Trustees respectively, as aforesaid; any thing in these Presents contained to the contrary notwithstanding.

And to the End all and every Person and Persons who shall Subscribe and Contribute their Moneys, in pursuance of the said Act of Parliament (which manifestly Designs and Intends the Publick Good and Convenience of the People of this Kingdom, and the Profit and Advantage of the Persons who shall be Concerned in the said Company, as well as the Accommodation of Our Affairs, in respect of the Moneys which are intended by this Means to be Supplied, for the Carrying on the War against *France*; and the Just Satisfaction of Persons who had Securities upon the Duties of Tunnage, Coals, and other Things by the said Recited Act, Taken away, or Altered) may be fully Assured and Satisfied, That the Powers Vested in us by the said Act of Parliament for Erecting and Establishing the said Corporation, or Body Politick, shall be justly and truly Executed, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the said Act.

King's Covenant to Incorporate.

We are Graciously pleased to Promise and Declare, and we do by these Presents solemnly Promise, Publish, Declare and make Known, and We do also for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Covenant, Grant and Agree to and with you Our said Commissioners, and every of you, for and on the Behalf of your selves, and every or any one of you, and of every or any other Person or Persons whatsoever, that shall Subscribe and Pay any Sum or Sums of Money as aforesaid, that in case the whole Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, or a Moiety, or any greater part thereof, shall be Subscribed upon the Security of the said Act, or in pursuance of these Presents, on or before the said First Day of *August* now next ensuing, that then immediately after the said First Day of *August*, or so soon as the said Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds shall be Subscribed as aforesaid, which of them shall first happen, We, Our Heirs or Successors, shall and will Grant and make forth Our Royal Charter or Letters Patents under the Great Seal of *England*, and thereby Incorporate all and every such Subscribers and Contributers who shall then be living, and who shall not have Assigned their Interest in their said Subscriptions: And in Case any of them shall be dead, the Executors or Administrators of such Subscribers: And in Case any of the Subscribers shall have Assigned their Interest in their said Subscriptions, in all such Cases the Assignees of such Subscribers to be one Body Corporate and Politick, by the Name of the *Governor and Company of the National Land-Bank*, with such Powers, Capacities, Priviledges, Benefits, Liberties, and Advantages, and under and subject to such Rules, Restrictions, Power of Redemption, Provisoes, Limitations and Clauses as are contained in the said Act of Parliament, or are Intended by the Schedule hereunto annexed, and with such further Power or Priviledges (being such as We can Lawfully Grant) as shall be reasonably Advised and Desired by Council Learned in the Law, for or on the Behalf of the said Subscribers and Contributers, and shall be Approved by Our Attorney or Solliciter-General on Our Behalf.

Who shall be Incorporated, according to the Schedule annexed.

Subscription-Money shall be called, The Capital Stock.

And We do by these Presents, for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, Declare, Limit, Direct and Appoint, That the whole Sum or Amount of all and every the Sum and Sums of Money that shall be Subscribed and Paid as aforesaid, shall after the said Grant of Incorporation, be and be called, accepted, esteemed, reputed and taken, *The Capital Stock of the said Incorporation*; and all and every Person and Persons, or Bodies Politick, his, her, and their Executors, Administrators, Successors or Assigns, according and in proportion to the Sum or Sums or Money by him, her or them respectively Subscribed and Paid thereunto, shall have and be deemed to have an Interest or Share in the said Capital Stock (not in the whole to exceed Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds as aforesaid. Which Interest or Share, or any part thereof, shall be Assignable and Transferrable, and shall and may be Assigned and Transferred by any Person or Persons Entituled thereunto, to any other Person or Persons, Bodies Politick or Corporate, except the Governor and Company of the *Bank of England*, who shall be willing to accept thereof, his or their Executors, Administrators, Successors or Assigns, and to over *toties quoties* as fully and effectually as any other Interest

How same shall be Assigned &c.

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whatsoever is by Law Assignable: Which Assignment shall Vest the Interest in the Assignee and Assignees, his, her and their Executors, Administrators and Successors, according to the Purport and Effect thereof. And after such Assignments made, it shall not be in the Power of the Assigner or Assigners, their Executors or Administrators to Revoke or make Void any such Assignments, so such Assignments or Transferrances be made in Writing, and Entred or Registred in such manner as is herein after mentioned (that is to say;) All Assignments or Transferrances which shall be made on or before the said First Day of *August* next ensuing, or the full and compleat Subscribing of the whole Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, which shall first happen, and before the Granting of Our Royal Charter of Incorporation hereinmentioned shall be Entred or Registred in the said Office of Auditor of the Receipt of Our *Exchequer*, within Six Days after the making of the said respective Assignments. And all Assignments or Transferrances which shall be made after the Granting of Our said Royal Charter of Incorporation, shall be Made, Entred and Registred in such Manner and Form as shall be thereby prescribed. And if for Default of Subscribing one Moiety of the said Sum of Five and twenty hundred and sixty four thousand Pounds, on or before the said First Day of *August* next, the Powers and Authorities in the said Act contained for Erecting a Corporation as aforesaid, shall Cease and Determine, then all the Assignments and Transferrances to be thenceforth made, shall be Entred in the Office of the Remembrancer in the *Exchequer*, in such Method as the said Act in that Case directs.

Provided always, and Our Will and Pleasure is, and We do by these Presents for Us, Our Heirs and Successors, signifie, express, declare and grant, That you Our said Commissioners, or any of you, who are joyned in this Our Commission, shall be nevertheless Liable and Answerable unto Us, Our Heirs and Successors severally, (to wit) Every one of you for his own particular Receipts, Actings and Doings, and not for the Receipts, Actings, or Doings of one another, or of your Cashcir or Cashcirs, or in any Case where there is not perticular Fraud or Deceit.

Commissioners to be answerable for their own Acts only.

Provided also, and Our Will and Pleasure is, That you Our said Commissioners, and every of you, before you respectively do intermeddle in the Execution of this Our Commission, be Sworn to the Faithful and Honest Discharge and Execution thereof.

Commissioners to be Sworn.

And we do hereby Authorize and Impower the Keeper of Our Great Seal of *England*, or Our High Chancellor of *England* for the Time being, or the Chief Baron of Our Court of *Exchequer* for the Time being, or such two or more of you our Commissioners, as shall first be Sworn before Our said Keeper, Chancellor or Chief Baron, to Administer unto you severally such Oath in the Words, or to the Effect following, (that is to say)

Form of Commissioners Oath.

I A. B *do Swear, That I will Faithfully and Honestly Discharge and Execute the Duty and Trust Reposed in me, as one of the Commissioners Appointed by His Majesty under the Great Seal of* England, *for taking Subscriptions, and doing other Matters and Things pursuant to the Act of Parliament, Intituled,* An Act for Continuing to His Majesty certain Rates and Duties upon Salt, Glass Wares, Stone and Earthen Wares, and for Granting several Duties upon Tobacco Pipes and Earthen Wares, for the Carrying on the War against *France*, and for Establishing a *National Land-Bank*, and for taking off the Duties upon Tunnage of Ships and upon Coals, *to the best of my Skill, Understanding and Power, and without Fraud or Deceit*: (*So help me, God.*)

In Case of death of Commissioners.

Provided also, and Our Will and Pleasure is, and We do hereby Declare, Ordain and Appoint, That in Case any of you, Our said Commissioners, shall happen to die before all the Matters and Things hereby Authorized and Intended to be done and Executed shall be fully Performed and Accomplished, That then this Our Commission, or any the Powers hereby Granted, shall not Determine or become Ineffectual, but shall and may be Executed and Performed by the rest of you Our Commissioners, so long as there shall be a sufficient number left to Execute the same.

And in Default thereof We do hereby Promise and Declare, That a New Commission and full Powers and Authorities shall be Granted under Our Great Seal of *England*, for the Accomplishment and Performance of all Matters

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and Things hereby Directed or Intended to be Done for the Benefit or Security of the ſaid Subſcribers and Contributers, their Executors, Succeſſors or Aſſigns.

Any Commiſſioner may Subſcribe.

Provided alſo, and We do hereby Signifie and Declare, That it is Our Royal Intention and Purpoſe in theſe Preſents, that any of you Our Commiſſioners may be Subſcribers; and the reſt of you Our Commiſſioners, or ſo many of you as aforeſaid, may take ſuch Subſcriptions from any of you, and Receive the Money, and do all other Things thereupon, as are hereby directed to be done in the Caſe of any other Subſcribers, any thing beforementioned to the Contrary notwithſtanding.

Provided Nevertheleſs, that where any of you Our ſaid Commiſſioners ſhall be Subſcribers, ſuch Subſcriptions ſhall be made before, and be Atteſted in the Books by ſome other of you Our ſaid Commiſſioners, who are to give Receipts for the ſame.

When Inrolled.

And Laſtly, Our Pleaſure is, That theſe Preſents ſhall be Inrolled in the Office of the Auditor of the Receipt, and Recorded in the Office of the Clerk of the Pells in Our *Exchequer*, and theſe Preſents, or the Entry, Exemplification or Inrollment thereof, ſhall be to you, and every of you, and all others herein Concerned, a ſufficient Warrant and Diſcharge for all, and whatſoever Matters and Things ſhall be Done, Executed or Performed in purſuance of the ſame, or of Our Pleaſure therein declared. *In Witneſs*

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